

December Job Postings 2024-2025 Comparison



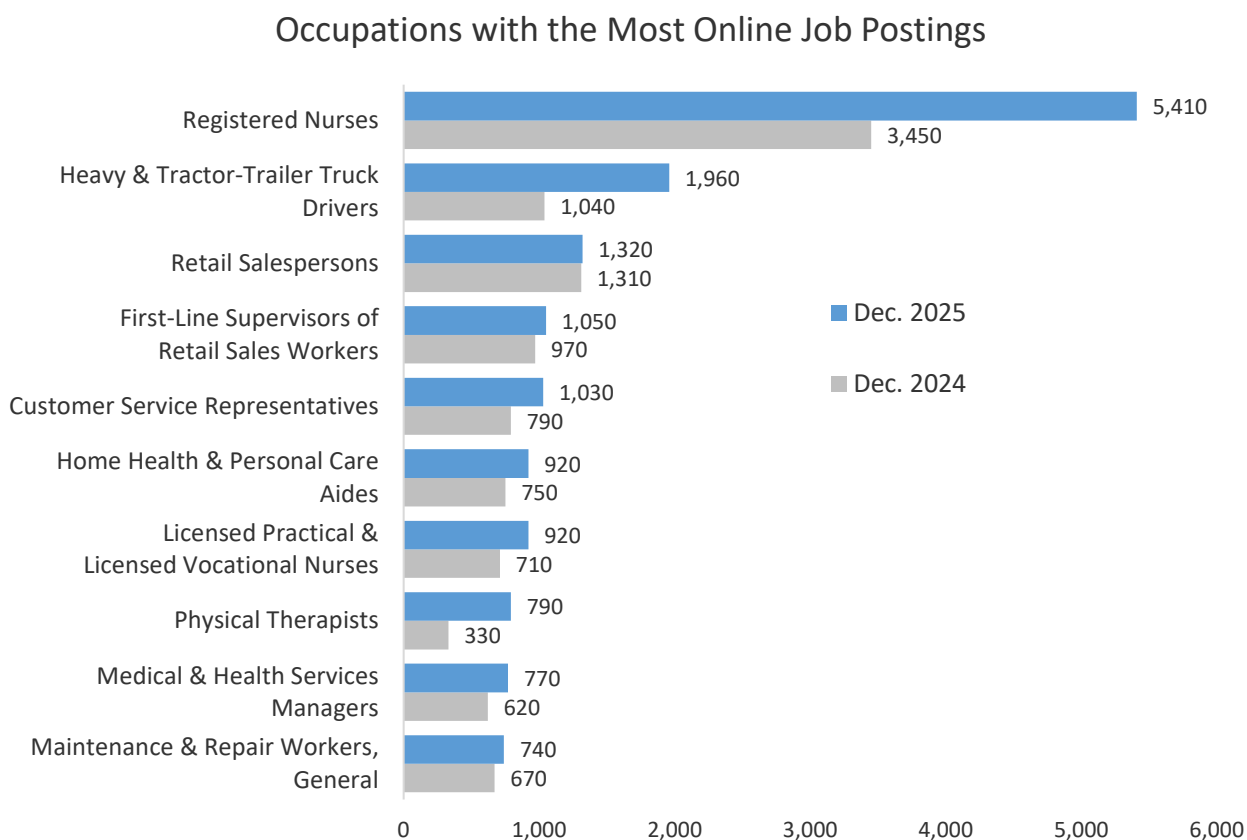
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Job postings increased 24.7 percent from December 2024 to December 2025. In December 2025, there were 61,950 online job postings compared to 49,670 in December 2024. The seasonally adjusted unemployment rate of 3.9 percent in Missouri was lower than last month's (November 2025) rate of 4.0 percent and higher than last year's (December 2024) rate of 3.6 percent.

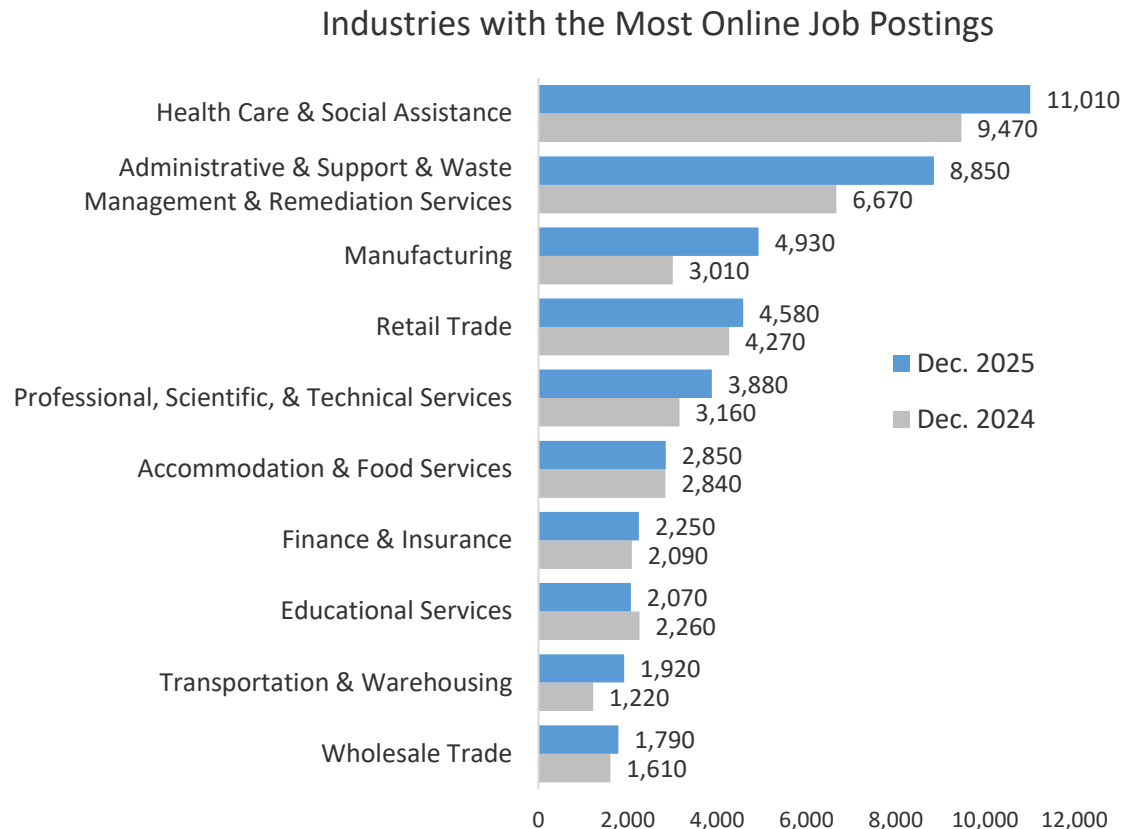
Top Occupations

The following chart shows the top 10 occupations with the most online job postings in December 2025 compared to the number of postings in December 2024. *Physical Therapists* (139%) had the largest increase due to a rise in postings from employment agencies and travel medical companies.



Top Industries

The following chart shows the industries with the most online job postings in December 2025 compared to the number of postings in December 2024. *Manufacturing* had the largest increase (64%), while *Educational Services* was the only industry that decreased (-8%).



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